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2016 Indiana State Department of Agriculture Photo Contest

INDIANAPOLIS (June 1, 2016) — The [Indiana State Department of Agriculture](#) (ISDA) is now accepting submissions for the [9th annual photo contest](#), which was created to showcase the hard work and contributions made by Hoosier farmers. The contest is open to the general public, and winning photographs will be featured at this year's state fair.

Contestants are able to submit up to five photos in digital form (horizontal or vertical) and each photo must be accompanied by an entry form. Entries must be submitted no later than June 30, 2016.

Participants are encouraged to submit photos that reflect the wide array of agriculture, and the categories they can be entered under include: Conservation, Agritourism, Faces of Agriculture and On the Farm. All photos must be taken in the state by current Indiana residents.

Contest winners will have their photographs featured in the Offices of the Lt. Governor's Family of Business in Indianapolis. Winners will also be special guests during the Celebration of Agriculture taking place on Wednesday, August 17, 2016 from 3:30p.m. to 5:00p.m. in the Normandy Barn during the [Indiana State Fair](#).

For entry and release forms, guidelines and criteria, please click [here](#) or visit www.isda.in.gov. To see last year's photo contest winners, please click [here](#).

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ABOUT ISDA

The [Indiana State Department of Agriculture](#) (ISDA) was established as a separate state agency by the Legislature in 2005. The Director is appointed by the Governor and is a member of the Governor's Cabinet. Administratively, ISDA reports to [Lt. Governor Eric Holcomb](#), who also serves as Indiana's Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. Major responsibilities include advocacy for Indiana agriculture at the local, state and federal level, managing soil conservation programs, promoting economic development and agricultural innovation, serving as a regulatory ombudsman for agricultural businesses, and licensing grain firms throughout the state.

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